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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 648

Introduced by Assembly Member Dymally

(Coauthor: Senator Vincent)

February 19, 2003

An act to add and repeal Article 7 (commencing with Section 33600) of Chapter 4 of Part 20 of the Education Code, relating to commissions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 648, as amended, Dymally. Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory Commission.

Existing law establishes various state educational commissions.

This bill would establish the Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory Commission with a specified membership if private donations become available for that purpose. The bill would specify the membership of the commission and would require the commission to develop 3 alternative ways to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the United States Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka in a manner that appropriately involves the public school system. The bill would require the commission to provide, during the 2004–05 school year, the State Department of Education with these 3 alternatives from which the department would be required authorized to select one, and to authorize its implementation.

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The bill would require the commission to study and provide assistance and advice to the department regarding program and curriculum development on related human rights issues.

The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2006.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

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SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this article that the members of the Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory Commission serve without compensation, and that no public funds be used to compensate the members for expenses.

SEC. 2.

SECTION 1. Article 7 (commencing with Section 33600) is
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SECTION 1. Article 7 (commencing with Section 33600) is added to Chapter 4 of Part 20 of the Education Code, to read:

10 Article 7. Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory
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33600. There is hereby established in the state government the 33600. The Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory Commission is established in the state government and shall be convened pursuant to this article only if private donations become available for those purposes.

33601. The Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory
Commission consisting shall consist of two members appointed by
the Senate Committee on Rules, two members appointed by the
Speaker of the Assembly, and five members appointed by the
Governor. At least one of the members appointed by the Governor
shall be chosen from a national civil rights organization, and one
of the members appointed by the Governor shall represent the
department. The nine appointed members shall be broadly
reflective of the general public of the state.

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28 33602. The Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her 29 representative shall serve as executive secretary to the 30 commission.

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33603. (a) The commission shall develop three alternative ways to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka (1954) 347 U.S. 483 in a manner that appropriately involves the public school system.

- (b) The commission, during the 2004–05 school year, shall provide the department with these three alternatives and the department shall may choose one of the three alternatives and authorize the implementation of that alternative in the public school system.
- (c) This section shall be implemented only if funds become available for these purposes from private donations.

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- 33604. The members of the Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory Commission shall serve without compensation, and no public funds may be used to compensate the members for expenses.
- 33605. This article shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2006, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends that date.